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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Leslie T. Rogers

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation has completed the review of the following amendment to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments' (AMBAG) 2006/07 - 2009/10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

## No. <u>Description</u>

## 8 State and Local Elements

 Adds or modifies various projects from various funding programs in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties. The amendment includes projects with funding from the State Transportation Improvement Program, State Highway Operation and Protection Program, and the High Risk Rural Roads Program

See enclosure.

The updated programming is for projects in air quality attainment area that is exempt from the conformity determination requirement. The AMBAG Board Resolution adopting this FTIP amendment certifies that the amendment is financially constrained, and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures per 23 Code of Federal Regulations part 450.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve AMBAG's Amendment Number 8. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2007 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP amendment in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of project for federal funding.

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Projects included in this FTIP amendment are submitted by AMBAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) concerns, if any, are reflected in the "Caltrans comment" section of the FTIP project data entry screen in CTIPS project by project.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde, of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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Acting Chief

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**Enclosures** 

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